

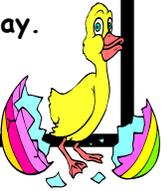
## Themes for March

The theme for this month is "Living things". We will cover:

- Farm and Zoo animals
- Spring-growth/new life (focus on flowers, frogs, chicks and seasonal changes)
- Celebrations: To include Saint Patrick's Day and Mother's Day and Easter.
- Our colour of the month is green. Please bring in a green item for the green display. The shapes for this month will be the shamrock and oval.

## March Holidays

16<sup>th</sup> March Staff Training Day.  
19<sup>th</sup> March- Saint Patrick's Day Holiday.  
29<sup>th</sup> March -Easter Holiday (Nursery reopens on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April)



## Happy Birthday to:-

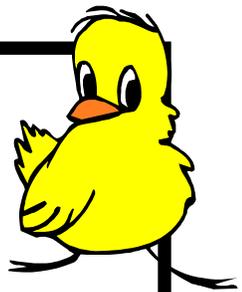
Joseph Mc Laughlin -6<sup>th</sup>  
Faith Gillespie-McCloskey -30<sup>th</sup>  
Mason Mc Clelland-30<sup>th</sup>



# HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

## Suggested activities to help your child at home

- Use food colouring to make green dough. Ask your child to pull, stretch, twist, flatten and tear the dough. Let them make models etc. All of this will benefit manipulative skills and increase vocabulary.
- Take your child on a Spring walk. Talk to him/her about the flowers and name them- snowdrops, daffodils, tulips.
- Look for buds on the trees and new leaves growing. Observe birds building nests.
- Talk to your child about the animals we would see in a zoo or the jungle. Discuss where they live and what they eat/how they move.
- Talk to your child about Farm animals-who looks after them, the names of their young and their role e.g. we get milk from the cow, eggs from chickens, wool from the sheep etc.
- Talk about pets and how we care for them.
- Discuss customs associated with Saint Patricks Day/Easter.
- Play memory games I went to the farm and I saw... /shop and I bought...
- Read your child stories about each theme-the local library has lots of books on these areas.



## Visits/Events

March is a very busy month and we will require parents to support us on all our outings.

- 9<sup>th</sup> March: Forest Schools Visit to Belmont playtrail
- 11<sup>th</sup> March: Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers/grandmothers- Sit back and relax today!
- 13<sup>th</sup> March: Sharing from the Start- Session 1- "Getting to know you"
- 15<sup>th</sup> March: Visit to Nursery from "Ambulance Service NI"
- 21<sup>st</sup> March: Sponsored Cycle (in School Grounds-weather permitting)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> March: Sharing from the Start- Session 2" Easter Egg hunt"



## Reminder

Please ensure that the gates to the Nursery path are closed after you exit the path in the morning and afternoon. Thank you for your continued co-operation in this.

## Nursery Newsletter



## Trocáire

During the months of March/April the school will be holding various events in aid of Trocáire. The Nursery will have a sponsored cycle. We will be giving a sponsor sheet to your child to use within your immediate family and friends.

You may come to school and watch your child participate. (Time to be arranged)

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